



THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 24, 1902

THE transatlantic steamship combination formed by J. P. Morgan will have a capital of \$170,000,000, of which \$60,000,000 will be 6 per cent. cumulative preferred stock, \$60,000,000 common stock, and \$50,000,000 4 1/2 per cent. debentures. The best argument that could be put forth against the grant of Government ship subsidies has been made by the capitalists who have been buying steamship lines, organizing a combine and making arrangements to fix rates of carrying freights and passengers to suit themselves. When the shipping business offers such inducement to wholesale investment there is apparently small need of governmental coaxing. A business so well established and so profitable as to attract the investment of \$170,000,000 at the hands of successful and experienced business men in America and Europe would seem able to take care of itself without the aid of government subsidies. Instead of subsidizing a combination amply able to take care of itself, the Government should repeal its absurd navigation laws so as to insure free ships and free competition for the ocean-carrying trade, and thereby protect American producers from overcharge at the hands of monopoly. There has never been so strong an argument for free ships as that put forth by the great ship combination, which declares it must buy ships in foreign markets and sail them with alien crews under the flag of other nations because of the dearth of American shipbuilding material and the higher cost of American labor.

AT THE Congressional Convention of New Jersey, in session at Jersey City, yesterday, Rev. Dr. Robert Nourse, of Falls Church, Virginia, who has occasionally filled pulpits in Alexandria, defended the theatre. He said life is made up of work and play, and that play is the dominating factor in life. Information is gained in school and character is formed on the playground. Amusements should not be confined to the church, he said, and just as soon as the church declares the members should not go to the theatre the members rise up and create a circus, a clown included. The author of one of the best novels ever written (Ten Thousand a Year) pictures a character, who figures throughout the book, whom he calls Rev. Dismal Horror, whose main conception of religion was that its votaries are called upon to make themselves as miserable as possible in this world. The author represents him as writing a book entitled "Groans from the Bottomless Pit." That many well-meaning people make spiritual matters repulsive to the great majority by senseless railings against everything in which they are not interested is the conviction of countless observers, and while many patrons of theatre will applaud the nerve manifested by Mr. Nourse, others whose tastes do not lie in that channel but who may be racked with other honest passions will approve the spirit of his remarks.

THAT THE pocket nerve is the most sensitive in shown every day, and in these commercial times neither principle nor friendship can stand in the way of money. An instance is furnished from some of the southwestern States. A short time ago the people in those States were great sympathizers with the Boers and correspondingly bitter against the British. The congressmen from that section had an easy time in pleasing their constituents for they simply had to make anti-English speeches and vote pro Boer resolutions. But a change has come. Great Britain has been buying horses and mules from those States to be sent to South Africa to be used in fighting the Boers and recently a measure was introduced in Congress to prevent the shipment of the animals from the United States. Now the Congressmen from the southwest are being warned not to support any such measure for the reason that it is adopted the horse and mule business will be broken up and their constituents will be losers thereby. Those people hate the British none the less and love the Boers all the more—provided the sale of their horses and mules is not interfered with.

A GIGANTIC coal combination is rumored to be in the first stages of formation, and before many months shall have passed every household in America in which coal is consumed and every industry that relies upon that mineral for the production of power will likely feel its beneficial effects. The statement now generally credited, because of what appear to be the first outward moves on the coal trade checkerboard, is to the effect that the great carrying companies and other interests controlling the mining of coal have agreed to take steps that will cut materially into the absorption by them not only of all the wholesale profits, but the retail business as well. Such a step, if generally executed, would mean wiping

out of existence of thousands of the smaller dealers in every city in this country. The people of this country are absolutely in the hands of trusts and combines but it is their fault, for the men they send to represent them in Congress could break these combinations but they fail to do so.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Washington, D. C., April 24. King Edward has given graceful evidence of having a retentive memory in social matters and a delicate appreciation of pleasant acquaintance. By his personal invitation one of the guests of honor at the coronation will be Mrs. Harriet Lane Johnson, niece of President James Buchanan, who was mistress of the White House during her uncle's term as Chief Magistrate. It was forty-two years ago that King Edward met Mrs. Johnson. As Prince of Wales he was entertained, during his tour of the United States, at the White House, and always recalled with hearty pleasure the unaffected hospitality with which he was received. As mistress of the establishment, Mrs. Johnson, then Miss Harriet Lane, was officially as well as socially the Prince's hostess, and during his brief stay they formed a most pleasant friendship. Opportunity has now come to the young Prince of Wales to return in a notable manner the entertainment he received, and the President's niece, who was the Prince's hostess, will be the King's guest. Mrs. Johnson sailed for Europe on Tuesday accompanied by her niece, Miss Mary Kennedy.

A United States Senator used a knife this morning in resisting the attempt of a street railroad conductor to eject him from a car. Senator Money, of Mississippi, while en route to the Capitol, changed cars at the Peace Monument, on Pennsylvania Avenue, at the west side of the Capitol grounds. In making the change he did not get a transfer ticket. When he had boarded a car that was carrying him to the hill to the Senate wing of the Capitol a demand was made by the conductor for his fare. Senator Money said he had not been given a transfer ticket. The conductor then demanded a regular fare. The Senator refused to pay. The conductor, after a few words, delivered an ultimatum, and when the Senator refused to accept his terms, which were to settle promptly, the conductor, with the aid of another man, attempted to eject the Senator. Money drew a penknife and in the struggle the conductor was cut in the hand. The Senator was not arrested because he was on the way to the Senate and was under the protection of the constitution from interference by law officers. The conductor was J. C. Shaner. According to the report made to the police there was quite a scuffle when he attempted to eject the Senator from the car. Senator Money admits that he drew his penknife, but stated that he did so in order to protect himself from bodily harm. He says that the conductor in ejecting him was assisted by J. H. Hooper a truckman for a fire company. The Senator later in the day swore out a warrant for the arrest of Hooper. A warrant was also issued for Shaner. Both men are charged with assault.

Representative Richardson announces his intention of pushing his resolution demanding an investigation of the alleged beef trust before the ways and means committee of the House, and it is expected that he will be assisted not only by the members of his own party but by some of the leading Republicans. During the past few days the mails of letters pleading for action that will relieve the country of the present situation as regards the price of meat, Mr. Dalzell of the ways and means committee said that he does not see how such an investigation as Mr. Richardson proposes could be in the province of that committee. Of course the House could do as it pleased in the matter. He was not prepared at this time to say what would be the proper committee. Chairman Ray of the House judiciary committee said this morning that in his judgment the Attorney General is the proper one to investigate the matter. It is announced at the department of Justice that the officials of that department who have been instructed to investigate the alleged trust has not yet completed its work.

The Senate military committee has decided to reconsider its action upon the nomination of Captain Crozier to be chief of ordnance with the rank of Brigadier General. Consequently the executive session of the Senate which was expected to be held today to take final action on the case has been postponed indefinitely. The committee had reported adversely upon Captain Crozier's nomination. There is a lively fight between friends of the Captain and of the Secretary of War on one side and the friends of the officers who would be subordinated to the Captain despite their seniority on the other. The committee has heretofore refused to reconsider its adverse report and it had been arranged to have the whole matter fought out on the floor of the Senate this afternoon, but by reason of the committee's reconsideration action is postponed.

The Senate committee on war claims will on Saturday next report a bill providing for the payment of all cotton destroyed by the Federal forces in the South during the civil war. These claims, as already ascertained and passed upon by the courts, will, it is said, aggregate about the sum of \$5,000,000. The House committee on coinage, weights, and measures today had Lord Kelvin the British scientist, before it to give his views on the proposed adoption of the metric system in this country. He said England would adopt it if the United States did, and he thought the movement would come gradually anyhow, although it might be expedited. Mr. George O. Westinghouse also appeared before the committee.

A sub-committee of the ways and means committee of the House today heard a delegation representing the United States Spirits Association, Kentucky Distillers Association, Eastern Rye Whisky Distillers Association, National Wholesale Liquor Dealers Association, and National Retail Liquor Dealers Association in favor of a reduction of the tax on distilled spirits which is now \$1.10 to 70 cents. Commissioner of Internal Revenue Yerkes opposed the reduction on the ground that it would reduce the revenues of the government. He did not believe that any reduction below \$1 would be advisable.

Lord Pauncefote's condition is better this morning. He has been confined to his home for some time with a severe attack of rheumatism which has now affected his lungs. Owing to his age

considerable apprehension is felt. In accordance with the determination of the republican Senators to prepare a Cuban reciprocity bill, without the concurrence of the democratic, a preliminary conference of the republican members of the Cuban committee was held this morning. No conclusion was reached. Another conference will be held this afternoon or tomorrow.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

It is said in New York that the Reading Railroad has been bought by the Pennsylvania Company. Charles F. Diggs & Co., wholesale coal merchants, in Baltimore, applied for the benefit of the bankruptcy law yesterday. The Colombian insurgents retired from Bocas del Toro, which they had taken, upon the approach of government troops. A hundred cotton mill owners met at Charlotte, N. C., yesterday evening to consider the proposition to form a combine of southern cotton factories.

Indications point to a bitter fight in the Senate on Cuban reciprocity bill. Nineteen republican Senators are opposed to any concessions to Cuba. Rev. Nathaniel S. Thomas, rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles, in Philadelphia, who was elected bishop of the missionary district of Salina, Kans., by the Episcopal house of bishops, at Cincinnati, will decline the honor.

Lieutenant Colonel Baldwin has sent a dispatch to General Chaffee from Mindanao saying the enemy has attacked his command at several points. The Americans stormed and captured the fort built on an eminence by the Sultan Pulo. Striking dye helpers at Paterson, N. J., yesterday started the establishment that were left running and by force compelled a complete suspension of business in their trade. They engaged in a series of running fights with the police and plant managers, and in one of the severest clashes exchanged a volley of pistol shots with them. Many persons on both sides were severely injured during the rioting, but none dangerously so. The authorities finally succeeded in quelling the outbreaks without having recourse to troops.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

The box factory of Heidelberg & Penn, in Danville, burned Tuesday night. The plant was valued at \$15,000. A new postoffice has been established at Remus, Westmoreland county, and Robert O. Costenbader commissioned postmaster. The summer boardinghouse near Round Hill, known as Yatten and owned by Kline Wright, has been sold to O. A. Wright, of Washington, for \$4,000, including 15 acres of land surrounding the house.

Judge Hancock yesterday granted a charter to the American Ice Company, which will manufacture and sell ice and conduct the cold storage business in Norfolk, independent of the ice trust. Capital \$300,000.

Jackson Quarles, a small negro boy, was yesterday given ten years in the penitentiary for wrecking a Seaboard Air Line train at Crawford Sunday. The boy said he turned the switch just to see what kind of wreck it would be. The City Council of Petersburg yesterday adopted an ordinance for imposing and collecting taxes. The license tax on each circus performance was reduced from \$100 to \$50 and the tax for every side-show connected with the circus was reduced from \$25 to \$10.

For the first time in recent years the democrats of the Ninth Virginia district will hold a primary election to nominate a candidate for Congress. The committee will meet in Bristol Saturday next to fix a date for the primary. Congressman Rhee probably will be re-nominated, although it is intimated that he will have opposition.

The marriage of Mr. Richard Ray Larriock, of Riverport, Warren county, to Miss Mary Yantis Dunbar, of Gainesville, Prince William county, took place in the Baptist Church at Haymarket yesterday afternoon. Mr. Larriock is a son of Capt. James Larriock of Mid-dletown, and is connected with Baker & Co.'s wholesale establishment at Riverport. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Dunbar, of Gainesville.

CONGRESSIONAL.

During yesterday's session of the Senate Mr. Rawlins, of Utah, continued his speech in opposition to the bill providing for a foreign government for the Philippine Islands. He devoted the greater part of his speech to a discussion of the testimony presented to the Philippine committee relating to the administration of the "water cure" to natives and to other forms of torture inflicted upon the Filipinos. He charged that Filipinos are the victims of war waged without humanity and without mercy, and charged that the telegram telling of the opening of hostilities in the Philippines was written two hours before the event, although the army officers have repeatedly said that the Filipinos were themselves to blame in beginning the fight.

During the early part of the session the bill providing for a union railroad station in Washington was under consideration, but no action was taken. The Patterson amendment to the proposed bill, which admits any railroad that may desire to come into Washington to the proposed union station, caused a lengthy debate. Many Senators unexpectedly rallied to its support, and it may be necessary for the committee to accept it to prevent jeopardizing the bill.

The House began consideration of the Senate amendments to the oleomargarine bill, but slow progress was made. The opponents of the measure who sought to modify the Senate amendments in various particulars were outvoted upon every proposition submitted.

SAVAGE BLACK BEAR.—A black bear was discovered on Hunter Stone's place, near Jesse Russell's schoolhouse, in Loudoun county, one day last week. He was located by Mr. Russell's fox hounds, who attracted the attention of Mr. James Swartz by their loud barking. The bear walked into the pack of hounds and laid two of them out. Mr. Thomas Russell's hounds were then sent for, and the bear succeeded in laying out two of that pack. By this time Bruin concluded to seek quiet quarters, and moved over to the thicket on Mr. Mack Cain's place, where his hunters and dogs concluded to let him rest till daylight, it being too dark to continue the chase. This is probably the same animal seen by Mr. Otto Hardisty in his corral last year. (Clark Courier.)

CONFEDERATE REUNION.

The Confederate veterans assembled in reunion in Dallas, Texas, yesterday, and transacted important business with a rush. Generals Gordon, Lee, and Cabell were re-elected, and General C. L. Walker elected to succeed the late General Wade Hampton as commander of the Army of Northern Virginia. New Orleans was selected as the place for the next reunion. General Gordon was given no chance to retire.

A proposition to change the Confederate Memorial Day from May 26 to June 3, the birthday of Jefferson Davis, precipitated considerable debate. The resolutions were amended to fix on June 3, but to allow any State desiring a different date to take individual action, and in this form were passed.

The report of the Davis monument committee showed slow progress. It stated that there were \$35,000 on hand, and that \$40,000 more was needed. Work toward securing funds for the proposed Southern women's monument was also reported to be progressing slowly.

The report of the committee on Battle Abbey, showed that of the \$200,000 necessary for the reconstruction of the museum, the treasury now holds \$176,058.

In view of the fact that the Confederate parade is set for today it was decided to hold no session, but adjourn until Friday.

One of the touching incidents of the day was the presentation of Judge John P. Reagan, the last survivor of the Davis cabinet, to the veterans. The convention of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans was held yesterday. R. E. L. Sauer, of Dallas, delivered the address of welcome.

SHARP REPLY TO EVANS.—Rear Admiral Evans, who records the impressions of Prince Henry in America, in a story by him in a current magazine, is having a time with six men six feet tall who were detailed to guard Prince Henry at the Chicago ball and wore evening clothes. Next morning they were long frock coats and silk hats.

In speaking of them the Admiral wrote: "Each of these men was six feet four or five inches tall, and they were got up in evening dress and silk hats. The Prince noticed them that evening with much appreciation, but they turned up the next morning in the same costume he asked, 'Could this happen anywhere except in Chicago?'"

The six men have signed their names to the following statement: "We were conventional morning apparel. It was somewhat better, it is true, than our every-day suits, but in good form, as we have been told by competent critics. 'They were Chicago's guests, and it would be in worse form for us to give our impressions of the Prince and the Admiral for publication than to wear evening clothes in the morning. The Admiral knows how much he owed to us that night.'"

THE SOUTHERN RAILWAY.—A general meeting of the stockholders of the Southern Railway Company was held in Richmond yesterday, at which the entire capital stock of the company was represented. The following business was transacted:

First. The number of directors to be elected at next annual meeting of stockholders, increased from eleven, the present number, to twelve.

Second. The directors then to be elected to be classified into three classes of four directors each, the term of office of the directors of the first class to expire in 1903, those of the second class in 1904, and those of the third class in 1905.

Third. The approval of the consolidation of the Ashville and Spartanburg Railroad Company, the Carolina Midland Railway Company, the South Carolina and Georgia Railway Company, and the South Carolina and Georgia Extension Railway Company, and the lease of such consolidated railroads to the Southern Railway Company.

FOUR. AMENDED BY LAWS ADOPTED.

STREET CAR LINES CONSOLIDATED.—The Merchants' Trust Company, of New York, entered into an agreement in Baltimore yesterday by which it became the purchaser of the following southern companies:

Virginia Electrical Railway and Development Company, capital \$1,000,000. Richmond Traction Company, capital \$1,000,000.

West Hampton Park Railway Company, capital \$300,000.

The purchasers of the properties already own control of the Richmond Passenger and Power Company, which has a capital of \$1,000,000. The consolidation will follow will embrace all the street railways of Richmond, Manchester, and Petersburg, and the interurban connecting lines; all the electric light and power business in the same place; the water rights of the James and Appomattox rivers, and large holdings of real estate, including sites for manufacturing.

TILLMAN REBUKES HOAR.—During a discussion in the Senate yesterday over an amendment to the union station bill, offered by Mr. Patterson, to allow all railroads the use of the proposed station, Mr. Hoar became involved in a wordy discussion with Mr. Tillman.

Tillman charged that the Massachusetts Senator had been disloyal to his country, and that he was a traitor to his country. He said that the Senator was a traitor to his country, and that he was a traitor to his country.

On Friday night a portrait of General Epps Hunton will be presented to Lee Camp, Confederate Veterans in Richmond. Judge James Keith will make the presentation speech.

HOW'S THIS?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm. WEST & TRACY, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. WELDING, KINMAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

Foreign News. Amsterdam, April 24.—Queen Wilhelmina, whose serious illness had given rise to grave fears, is mending rapidly. The Queen passed a quiet night. Her temperature this morning is favorable. Doctors and nurses express themselves as satisfied with the progress of the royal patient toward recovery. Kaiser Wilhelm has bestowed the decoration of the Red Cross of the third class upon Prof. Rosenstein, for his successful treatment of the queen.

Het Loo, Holland, April 24.—It is announced that Queen Wilhelmina has had a relapse. Her temperature was less favorable this afternoon, and she has a high fever intermittently. Her recovery demands the most careful watching. The disquieting nature of the announcement is somewhat detracted from, however, by the fact that the Dowager Queen Emma this afternoon went out for a drive.

Rome, April 24.—Twenty thousand pilgrims gathered at St. Peter's today and were received by Pope Leo. The Pope in answering an address of felicitations spoke with emotion but in a strong voice. "These manifestations," he said, "are consoling at a time when the Church is so persecuted." Several hundreds of the pilgrims were permitted to kiss the Pope's hand.

Amsterdam, April 24.—The Handelsblad today prints an interview with Mr. Kruger, in which the former president is quoted as saying that peace negotiations have been completely broken off, and that all the British conjectures in the matter are apocryphal. Port of Spain, Island of Trinidad, April 24.—According to advice just received here by steamer, 2,000 Venezuelan soldiers under General Ramon Castillo engaged a revolutionary force in the mountainous district near Cumana, Venezuela. Soon after the fighting began, General Castillo fell mortally wounded. This created a panic among his men, and they fled in all directions. Castillo's remains have been recovered.

A Colossal Financial Transaction. Boston, April 24.—An announcement is made that this city is to be the eastern terminus of a great trans-continental line and a big factor in the development of the great trans-oceanic steamship amalgamation. The New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, which is the largest of the great trans-oceanic steamship lines, is to be absorbed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. A bill is being prepared asking the next legislature for the power to turn over the N. Y. N. H. & H. to the control of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. The stock of the New Haven road is being acquired as fast as possible by the Pennsylvania interests and it is stated that no difficulty is in the way of final acquisition of the road. The same interest, seeking to bring about the absorption of the New Haven road, are the prime movers in the great steamship combine. There will be, it is said, no clash of the Vanderbilt interests with the Boston interests.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRES.

Clarion, Pa., April 24.—About half the town of Marienville, Forest county, was destroyed by fire last evening. The fire raged five hours and 150 buildings were consumed. The loss will aggregate \$300,000 on which there is only \$75,000 insurance. The one small chemical engine and the bucket brigades were powerless in staying the conflagration. The fire will, it is believed, have been prevented by the fire department.

IN THE INTEREST OF PEACE.

London, April 24.—Government circles are today more optimistic regarding peace in South Africa than they have been for some time. This optimism is the result of information from Lord Milner, more definite than which has heretofore been received, and of a most interesting character. What this information is, has not been announced.

Pretoria, April 24.—State Secretary Reitz and Mr. Jacobs, who accompanied General Lucas Meyer to the Veldt, returned to meet the burghers and submit to them the British peace terms, returned to Balmoral several days ago. On Tuesday they left for Pietersburg to consult with Commandant Beyers.

ALLEGED ATTEMPT AT REGICIDE.

Madrid, April 24.—The entire city is in a state of ager today over what is believed to have been an attempt to assassinate King Alfonso. An unknown man was caught trying to penetrate the inner palace. He was arrested, and when questioned stated that his name was Pierre Naury, and that he was a Frenchman. He had no passports and gave a contradictory account of himself. The government appealed to the French Embassy for aid in identifying the prisoner. It is stated that he was armed when caught. The police refuse to give any information. They display unusual agitation.

THE MARKET.

Georgetown, April 24.—Wheat 90.84.

INDIANA REPUBLICANS.—Much oratory marked the opening of the Indiana republican State campaign at Indianapolis yesterday. Senator Beveridge delivered an address, in which he outlined the principles upon which the republicans of Indiana will enter the next campaign. The Senator declined to say that he was the mouthpiece of the administration of President Roosevelt, but would not deny that he had to say regarding national issues had been, in large measure, approved at Washington. Senator Beveridge devoted a considerable portion of his speech to a denunciation of the administration of President Roosevelt, and to a denunciation of the administration of President Roosevelt.

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Silk Petticoats, made of fine quality taffeta, slightly soiled and crushed, in dainty shades of pink and lavender, full umbrella style, finished with deep accordion-pleated flounce. These skirts never sold for less than \$3.48 \$0.95. Choice for \$3.48

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HOUSE.

In the House today Mr. Goldfogle arose to a question of personal privilege denying the truth of the charges of a New York newspaper that the New York delegation had been derelict in their efforts to secure legislation for a new New York city postoffice building.

The House in committee of the whole resumed consideration of the Senate amendments to the oleomargarine bill. A determined effort was made by the opponents of the bill to have an amendment adopted to place the same tax on renovated or process butter as on oleomargarine. The amendment was lost by a vote of 101 to 76.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Sheriff Anderson and a posse left Houston, Texas, early this morning for a rural section near Hillendahl, where a horrible crime was committed yesterday. The farm residence of Tom Peterson, with outbuildings were burned and four dogs shot. A well on the premises was filled with furniture and farm implements. Peterson's family is missing. It is believed their bodies are in the well.

The platform was adopted by the republican State convention at Indianapolis, Ind., this morning. The old minor State officers were re-nominated by acclamation, including all appellate judges. The platform endorsed Roosevelt's administration; praises the Cuban policy, the course of the administration in the Philippines; denounced trusts, and urges the building of the Isthmian canal.

Fire on North Mountain near Clear Springs, Md. has burned over a big tract destroying a great quantity of timber. A score of men have fought night and day and have finally checked its advances. About six miles of timber is burning in South Mountain between Thurmont and Emmitsburg. Bucket brigades of men, women and children there are trying to turn the course of the fire.

On account of insufficient private means to bear the expense to which he would be put as the representative of the United States navy at the coronation of King Edward, Carl Clark, who commanded the battleship Oregon in the Spanish-American war, has declined that honor, and the President has designated Rear Admiral Watson in his place. Capt. Clark was personally selected by Mr. Roosevelt to be the naval representative.

By a decision of the court today all saloons in Cumberland, Md., to the number of 500, will be tied up for 20 days, beginning May 1st. The last legislature passed a new liquor law, instead of conforming to the same the saloon men filed their applications under the old law. The saloon men threatened to sue the county for damages because the sheriff failed to notify them properly of the law required. There is great excitement among the saloon men.

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For Spring Wedding Gowns, and Fashionable Stuffs adaptable for promenade, driving, church, street, calling, shopping and traveling purposes. Among the leading favorites are Granite Vigoreux, Stramide, Voile Brutaque, Voile Etoile, Crepe de Paris, Silk and Wool Crepe de Chine, All-wool Mistral, Silk and Wool Aesolienne, plain and fancy; Vellings, plain and borders.

All-wool Allstroms. 36 inches wide. Per yard. 37 1/2c
All-wool Allstroms. 44 inches wide. Per yard. 75c
All-wool Batiste. 45 inches wide. Per yard. 75c
All-wool Crepe de Chine. 42 inches wide. Per yard. 75c
All-wool Mistral. 45 inches wide. Per yard. \$1.00
Silk and Wool Crepe de Chine. 42 inches wide. Per yard. \$1.25
Silk and Wool Aesolienne. 47 inches wide. Per yard. \$1.50
All-wool Wire Velling. 47 inches wide. Per yard. \$1.50
All-wool Voile. 47 inches wide. Per yard. \$1.50
Silk and Wool Crystal Crepe. 44 inches wide. Per yard. \$1.50
Fresh Twine Velling. 44 inches wide. Per yard. \$1.50
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In the House today Mr. Goldfogle arose to a question of personal privilege denying the truth of the charges of a New York newspaper that the New York delegation had been derelict in their efforts to secure legislation for a new New York city postoffice building.

The House in committee of the whole resumed consideration of the Senate amendments to the oleomargarine